

27049 to 27072—Continued.**27059. PRUNUS sp.****Plum.**

From near Sukhum-Kale, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 436, February 10, 1910.) A native plum, from the Caucasus, of bluish color, medium size, found wild in the mountains but also sparingly cultivated by the natives. Probably suitable for the Gulf region and for northern Florida. Obtained from the Experimental Station near Sukhum." (*Meyer.*)

27060. MALUS SYLVESTRIS Mill.**Apple.**

From Dioscuria, near Sukhum-Kale, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 437, February 16, 1910.) A native variety of apple, generally called *Afghasian* apple, grown by the natives for centuries. The fruits are large, of a grayish-green color except on the side exposed to the sun, where they are adorned with narrow, vertical, red stripes; of a fresh, sour taste; picked from the trees in the latter part of October or early November, they have to lie some time before being ripe; can be kept until late in spring. A good apple for the warmer sections of the United States and especially for the Gulf region. The young trees of this variety of apple are characterized by the very upright growth of the branches and the clean bark; when the trees get to be older, however, they become spreading and the bark begins to be rough. In the Caucasus, this variety is not very quickly attacked by woolly aphids, but when once this pest gets a hold on them, they become full of lumps and knots like the ordinary European varieties." (*Meyer.*)

27061. MALUS SYLVESTRIS Mill.**Apple.**

From Dioscuria, near Sukhum-Kale, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 438, February 16, 1910.) A Circassian apple indigenous to the Caucasus, said to be very fine, obtained originally from a native prince. Fit for the mild-wintered regions of the United States." (*Meyer.*)

27062. PYRUS COMMUNIS L.**Pear.**

From Dioscuria, near Sukhum-Kale, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 439, February 16, 1910.) A very early ripening variety of pear, called '*Duchesse de Sukhum.*' Of medium size and melting taste, ripens in June. Probably a good variety for the Southern States and especially the Gulf region." (*Meyer.*)

27063. PYRUS COMMUNIS L.**Pear.**

From Dioscuria, near Sukhum-Kale, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 440, February 16, 1910.) A variety of pear locally known as the '*Turkish pear.*' Fruits medium large, of beautiful shape, ripening in August. Trees very strong growers when young and producing heavy crops. Probably a good variety for the mild-wintered regions of the United States." (*Meyer.*)

27064. MORUS ALBA L.**White mulberry.**

From Dioscuria, near Sukhum-Kale, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 452, February 16, 1910.) Variety *tortuosa*. A strange ornamental mulberry, having branches that run zigzag. Of use as a decorative garden tree in regions where the winters are mild and the summers hot and dry." (*Meyer.*)

27065. OLEA EUROPAEA L.**Olive.**

From Sukhum-Kale, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 454, February 17, 1910.) A very large-fruited variety of olive, named '*Cucchi,*' bears black fruits the size of a small plum. Although the climate of this part of the Caucasus is rather unsuited to olives, being too moist, this variety fruits regularly here. Obtained from the Botanical Garden at Sukhum-Kale." (*Meyer.*)